Ecosystem Roundtable Informational Staff Report

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Topic: Contract Amendment Subcommittee of Roundtable Meeting

Background: On May 17, 2000, the contract amendment subcommittee of the Ecosystem Roundtable and the CALFED agency liaisons met in a public meeting to discuss proposed contract amendments. Those present included Walt Hoye/MWDSC, Dan Keppan/NCWA, Becky Sheehan/CFBF, Susan Ramos/BOR, and Carolyn Yale/USEPA. The details of the proposed project amendments are included in the attached memorandum to the Ecosystem Roundtable Project Amendment Subcommittee.

Status: Six Level 1 project amendments have been reviewed by the appropriate contracting agency staff, which after consultation with CALFED staff, were found reasonable and they were approved. They are presented here for information. The seventh Level 1 project amendment, *Bacterial Treatment of Selenium in the Panoche Drainage*, was withdrawn by the project administrator, the Bureau of Reclamation.

The following Level 2 project amendments were reviewed by the Amendment Subcommittee and Agency Liaisons.

| Project and Proponent | Change Requested | | | Reason for | Liaison Action |
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| | Budget | Scope | Time | Amendment | |
| Assessment of Ecological and Human Health Impacts of Mercury in the Bay-Delta Watershed (99-B06) San Jose State University Foundation | \$364,000 (10 percent increase) | Increase scope | None | Requested changes are based on recommenda- tions from an external expert Scientific Review Committee | Recommended for approval. New task include: external QA/QC for \$123,105; project management and coordination for \$75,000; external science review for \$55,000; and mercury speciation for \$110,895; totaling \$364,000 |

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| Fish Passage Improvement Project at the Red Bluff Diversion Dam (99-B07) Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority | None | Modify scope | None | Adjust funding between tasks to accommodate project management and environmental documentation. | Recommended for approval contingent upon TCCA reaching agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation for environmental documentation. Increase funding by \$90,000 (9%) to cover project management costs. |

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